

ing out the same idea and the editor of that journal supported and voted for the measure.

Probably this is where these Christian women got the idea. Poor physician that, who protests against taking his own medicine. But then these brethren continue to make charges against the virtuous Christian women of the state. How long will they stand it?

The West Virginia Educational Association (white) narrowly escaped a prolonged attack of St. Vitus Dance. It seems that Supt. JAMES RUSSELL THOMAS appointed Prof. P. D. GARDNER (colored) to deliver the address of welcome at White Sulphur Springs, June 28th.

The superintendent explained that he did not know that Prof. GARDNER, who is principal of the public schools at White Sulphur Springs was colored. It is needless to remark that the oration was not delivered.

We have received "Christian Science History" by SEPTIMUS J. HANNA. It is a statement of facts relating to the authorship of the text-book of this body of Christian believers, and constitutes an able defense of Rev. MARY BAKER G. EDDY, its originator.

These people believe in divine healing and miraculous cures are said to have been effected in cases given up by physicians as hopeless. The rooms of the society are at 95 Falmouth St., Boston, Mass.

GENERAL RUSSELL A. ALGER, Secretary of War is endeavoring to secure the senatorial nomination by the Republican legislature of Michigan and thereby succeed Senator McMILLAN who is candidate for re-election. It is unfortunate that he has been so unpopular in his management of the War Department.

The treatment of the colored troops, both volunteers and regulars by his department has estranged some of the best colored friends he ever had or ever will have to support him.

EDITOR W. J. WHITE of the GEORGIA BAPTIST takes a gloomy view of the situation, and seems to think that there is a probability of the right of citizenship being legally taken from the citizens of color. We believe that the very agitation against us will result in a reaction which will cause the bestowal upon us of the full privileges of the elective franchise.

Come what may, the poverty-stricken white man will find himself in the same boat with the poverty-stricken colored one. He cannot see it now, but the very chains which he is forging for us will yet be worn by himself as well.

THE MURDER OF THE MINERS.

The trouble between the white and colored miners at Cardiff and Blossburg, Ala., resulted in the cold-blooded assassination of EDWARD ELLIS, the leader of the colored men, and also the murder of ADAM SAMUELS, June 27th.

It was found that both men had been shot in the back, and in the body of ELLIS as many as twenty five buckshot had been fired.

The white men secreted themselves in a box car, and the shooting was done at close range. The colored men are armed and it is alleged that trouble is feared.

If colored men had shot down white men in this cowardly manner, all of the machinery of the state would have been put to work to apprehend the cowardly murderers.

Colored men have no protection whatever, and self-reliance must be their main dependence.

It is unfortunate indeed that these white men were not punished, not by the officers of the law, but by the colored miners themselves. The coroner's jury returned a verdict that they were killed by unknown parties.

The only way now to make them known is to punish them at the time that they are committing crimes which disgrace modern civilization.

REV. LEWIS' BLUNDER.

Never have we been more astounded at any happening than we were at the action of Rev. Z. D. LEWIS, D. D., the young pastor of the Second Baptist Church.

For a month, he had been guilty of attacking his brother Baptists, both ministerial and lay in the columns of a newspaper, and under the assumed name of "A Delegate."

We have always admired this divine for his oratorical abilities; but this affair has emphasized a fact, well-known to the brethren of the church.

Education will prove a curse unless it is reinforced or "hooked up" with common sense, aptly called by some "mother-wit." The absence of this causes a man with book learning to beat about like a ship without a rudder.

We do not presume that the most illiterate member of the Second Baptist Church would have been guilty of the blunder, with which Rev. Dr. LEWIS is chargeable.

In the discussion of issues affecting the brethren of the state, there is no reason for disrespectful, insulting or ribald language. Why Dr. LEWIS should have had to recourse to coarse insinuations is a mystery to even his friends.

We have felt grieved at his want of discretion. We trust that a contemplation of his course and a realization of his error will cause him to think a dozen times before he writes once.

The murder of State Senator WILLIAM M. FLANAGAN at Powhatan C. H., Monday, July 8, 1899 produced a profound sensation in this community.

He was a gentleman of pronounced convictions, and was known from one end of the state to the other as a man of rare abilities and tireless energies.

To oppose him either politically or otherwise was to invite a contest which would be endless until victory crowned his efforts.

He had a host of friends among the colored people, whom he had time and again befriended. It will be a long time before the state will gaze upon his like again.

We sympathize with his bereaved wife and children. The blow was sudden. Just as he was entering upon his official duties, the hand of the assassin laid him low.

His life has been brilliant, his death marked by a tragic scene which will serve as a reminder of the uncertainty of this life. We have lost a good man, a true friend, a great leader. Peace to his ashes!

No where in the history of civilized nations, do we find a more gruesome story related in a more absurd fashion than is told in the few lines descriptive of the lynching of DANIEL PATRICK (colored) at Saranton, Miss., Wednesday, June 21, 1899:

"We, the jury find that the deceased came to his death by climbing a tree, venturing too far out on a limb, fell and broke his neck."

This is the way murders are committed in Mississippi. There has been no effort made to apprehend the murderers.

Colored men are persecuted and tortured before death, and made jest of, after they have passed away.

God grant that they may yet learn to defend themselves, and thereby multiply their friends and bring to them the respect of their enemies. Lynching must go!

A WORD FROM REV. DR. LOVE.

Dr. Lewis and the "Splitters."

[Savannah, Ga., Baptist Truth.]

Those defeated Negro Baptists yonder in Virginia are about to split. We feared that when we saw their dreadful defeat. It seems to be the curse of the Negro race to split up, and the minority not willing to bow to the will of the majority, will slob off and build a hell of their own. They met in Richmond last week and organized what they hope to call the General Association of Virginia.

They had 40 churches and 73 delegates. Doubtless most of them were from Richmond and immediate vicinity. Dr. Lewis was the explaining Doctor. He was called upon to tell the brethren why they had met. Did not the boys know for what they went to Richmond? Why was it necessary for Dr. Lewis to tell them why they had come to Richmond? Why did he tell the Virginia Baptists the whole truth? Was not Dr. Lewis called upon to tell why it was necessary to split the Baptist family of Virginia? Is not the Home Mission Society and their hired servants behind it all? Is not some body getting blood money for splitting up the Negro Baptists all over the south? Did Dr. Lewis, the seapoint of the Home Mission Society, make a full explanation?

You boys are doing wrong. This thing will come back on you. You Negroes ought to stop letting white folks split you up when they get ready. The people are waking up and you cannot longer delude them. Manhood is growing in the Negroes, and they will not much longer submit to their trust in being battered to benefit a few ambitious, job hunting, money-loving men.

They will arise in the majesty of their might and wipe out such men. Now, you few disaffected Virginia Negroes, just stop that General Association business and go on back to your convention and submit to the will of the people. If you can't lead, follow, and for God Almighty sake, stop dividing our people. We are weak enough united.

FROM ROANOKE.

ROANOKE, VA., June 29, 1899. Last Sunday was a very pleasant day and all the churches were largely attended.

Rev. Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church preached a very able sermon over the remains of Mrs. Pocahontas Jones on last Sunday.

Rev. W. W. Brown and family left last week for Pittsburg, Pa., on vacation. During his absence Rev. Smith, a very able divine, will fill his pulpit.

The new First Baptist Church, a very handsome structure on Jefferson St., is being rapidly completed. When completed it will be one of the finest churches in the southwest. The members seem to realize this fact and are giving entertainments right along which are largely attended and profitable.

Quite a number of our school teachers are in the city attending the School of Methods.

Miss Maggie Henry and Miss Woodbridge of Lexington are in the city attending the School.

The funeral of Henry Dillon took place last week at the First Baptist Church (white) of which he was a member for about ten years. He was also sexton of the same Church. It was in deed a very impressive funeral. The pall-bearers were six of the leading white gentlemen of the city. Very seldom we see colored people, members of white churches in Virginia and have white pall-bearers.

The dedication of the new True Reformers Hall took place on last Tuesday. Quite an elaborate programme was rendered.

4th of July passed off very quietly. A number of entertainments and private picnics were given.

Prof. B. H. Payton, General Inspector of the Richmond Beneficial and Insurance Co., arrived in the city last week in interest of the "Old Reliable." We wish him welcome and that his stay will be pleasant and profitable.

Mrs. Olivia Powell who was called here on the account of the death of her home Ya Skippeth, Va.

Girls, be careful! How you take other girls' fellows—your nearest friend won't like it.

Read the Planet and find out what our race is doing. We learn that a certain visitor is responsible for the sudden social uprising in our town. We

enjoy a pleasant time. We are always glad to welcome such.

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BENTON

Mrs. Hutton Graduates.

Among the large number of graduates of the Spencerian College of Commerce of Philadelphia last week, there was one colored member, the first in the history of this great College of Commerce.

Mrs. W. A. Hutton, the wife of Secretary Hutton of the International Committee of Y. M. C. A., graduated from the photographic department of this college, having completed the full course during the present year.

Mrs. Hutton passed the entrance examinations in English to this College, making the high average of 99% and having had previous instruction in stenography, at once entered the special class in this subject and kept up with the brightest minds of the college. She won the confidence and esteem of both faculty and students, and all regretted that ill health prevented her remaining in Philadelphia and taking her part in the Commencement exercises which occurred at the Chestnut St. Opera House last Friday Evening.

Mrs. Hutton ranks as one of our best stenographers and typewriters, while her course in commercial law gives great advantage to her profession.

MASONIC NOTES.

Monday night, the 12th ult., Charity Lodge, No. 25, A. F. M., regular communication meeting. Attendance was good. The following officers were elected and installed: Thomas H. Briggs, W. M.; Allen J. Harris, S. Warden; Edloe E. Scott, J. Warden; H. F. Jonathan, Treasurer; J. H. Smith, Secretary; W. S. Christian, S. D.; George W. Williams, J. D.; Edward Strange, Chaplain; Stewards, George W. Brown, Sr., George A. Jonathan, Jr.; Chris. C. Jones, Tyler.

Tuesday night, the 13th ult., Social Lodge, No. 6, A. F. M., met. The meeting was good. The following officers were elected: W. M., Granderson Marks; S. Warden, J. M. Benson; J. Warden, R. M. Clarke; Treasurer, Abner Conley; Secretary, Nelson Williams, Jr.; S. Deacon, James Pryor; J. Deacon, James H. Clarke; Stewards, A. Miles, A. W. Cardozo; Chaplain, W. H. Manning; Tyler, George Wood.

We note that St. John's Day festival was celebrated Sunday, the 25th, at St. Phillips P. E. Church, under the auspices of Social Lodge, No. 6. Craft was called on at 2 o'clock, parade at 4.

Wednesday night, 14th ult., Trinity Lodge, No. 44, A. F. M., met, W. M. A. Banks presiding. The meeting was good. All the officers were re-elected. This speaks well for the officers, showing a strong confidence. We hope much success for you.

Friday night, the 16th ult., Commonwealth Lodge second communication meeting. The appointed officers were S. D. Fred. Goodman; J. D. George Richardson; Chaplain, John Mabrey; Tyler, Ed. Johnson. They were installed by Past Master A. Williams of No. 28 and E. S. Brown of No. 25 assisted. After work quite an agreeable repast was served on the brethren. They all enjoyed themselves. Corbin was sorry he was not present.

We failed to get in our last issue all of the elected officers of Solomon, No. 27, especially S. Warden, J. C. Willis; J. Warden, A. Johnson; the appointed officers, S. Deacon, George Jones; J. Deacon, N. Blackwell; Chaplain, J. W. Johnson; Tyler, Alexander Cary.

Monday night, 19th ult., King David Lodge, No. 28, met. After the routine business the lodge proceeded to give 3rd degree which was very pleasantly received by the candidates. The Steward had prepared a nice little lunch which all enjoyed.

Tuesday night, 20th ult., Solomon Lodge installed its officers and passed one candidate to the 2nd degree.

We met several of the newly made Master Masons. They are all elated over their travel. We hope that they will continue to love and learn.

We learn that Adimir Chapter Royal Arch Mason worked Saturday night, 17th ult.

The young Masters are moving up. We are very glad they are interested.

Monday night, 19th ult., Masonic Association met. Members present were Shackelford, Page, Tyler, Adams, Chavers and Dickerson. The meeting was good. We are glad to note that the various lodges are interested in this part of the work.

All that were present Sunday, 25th ult., at St. Philip's Church enjoyed a scholarly sermon, delivered with ability and force. We hope to meet our English brother again. Thanks to him and church.

We shall always speak words of praise and thanks to the band for offering their services gratis. We shall remember you.

S. Warden Charles Scott of Trinity, No. 14, is sick. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Any news for this column should be addressed, CORBIN.

Don't run now. They'll have plenty of coaches. The First Baptist Sunday School.

Colored Girls in the Shirt Factory.

The Old Dominion Shirt Co. has opened a branch factory at 727 N. 3rd St., where colored girls are being employed to make shirts. The sewing machines have been put in position and are run by power—a 7 horse gas-engine—being utilized for this purpose.

Thirteen went to work Monday and more will be employed as fast as they learn to handle the machines. Mr. Wm. Isaac Johnson, who had the contract for furnishing help has had his office besieged by those anxious to obtain employment. The number will soon be increased to 60 persons.

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